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HOUSING Off-campus residents living in run-down homes may begin to see improvements in conditions

"The city has an obligation to its citizens have housing that is adequate. The city has an obligation for a high standard of quality and to enforce that high standrd of quality."

Trent Skaggs Student Senate President

By LONELLE RATHJE

Student Senate President Trent Skaggs was among nine members named to a Maryville committee to study housing codes.

Landlord and resident complaints concerning restrictive housing codes prompted Mayor Gerald "Doc" Henggeler to consider and ad-

Skaggs said University President Dean Hubbard recommended he contact the Maryville City Council members for further instruction on

He said the council members were responsive to the idea and instrumental in his appointment, yet Henggeler believed students should not be allowed on the committee, particularly those who

"Ido represent 6,000 students, but (Henggeler) was not really responsive to a student on (the committee)," Skaggs said.

Despite the obstacles, Skaggs will use his standard housing.

"The city has an obligation to its citizens to have housing that is adequate," he said. "The city



Skaggs Student Senate

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and to enforce that high standard of quality."

Skaggs said the codes are fair, yet the committee needs to review Maryville's enforcement procedures.

He added he does not want to give a bell-ringing for the death of a student due to safety codes which were not enforced.

"This is just taking precautions before anything happens," he said. "If the

Keith Arnold, committee chairperson, said he

was pleased with the appointment of Skaggs to the

input in regards to student substandard housing," Arnold said.

Skaggs said the committee will meet at 4:30

Committee focuses on situation

By SARA MEYERS

CHIEF REPORTER

The issue of substandard housing is being tackled by members on Student Senate committees.

The members of the Public Relations Committee are making efforts to determine whether or not there is a problem with substandard housing. The committee is in the process of mailing letters and surveys to students in off-campus housing to become more educated about how large the substandard housing situation is in the Maryville area.

"Right now, we are sending out a survey to get a feel if there really is a problem with substandard housing or not." Jessica Elgin, co-vice president of public relations, said. "We have sent out letters and we will be calling students."

Along with the Public Relations Committee, the Policies Committee has elected Jeff Roe, off-campus representative, to organize registration for Maryville City Council elections.

"If there are serious problems, we will bring them out to the city council," Kevin Spiehs, co-vice president of public relations, said.

Brian Marriott, senator, is also taking pictures of houses with caved in walls and basements with grass growing in them. The surveys contain questions which will help the Public Relations Committee decide how they need to go about helping off-campus residents become more informed about housing.

"On the survey, we want to know if they have

parking available, who's in charge of general upkeep, if there has been any trouble with the landlord and there is a place for the landlord's name," Elgin said.

The efforts of the Senate committees are not only to help students but also to help landlords with their tenants.

"This is not something negative against the landlords," Elgin said. "We are trying to help them."

A problem students face is not being informed enough to know the definition of substandard housing or what to expect from their landlords in situations they think might be substandard.

"Some people aren't aware of what substandard housing is or what to expect from their landlords," Elgin said. "We are trying to help them become more

Senate is working to improve the housing conditions in Maryville. Elgin would encourage anyone who has a problem with substandard housing to address the Maryville City Council.

The Policies Committee is also comprising an index of off-campus housing. According to Johnson, the list will contain comments about prices and problems of previous renters. The list will be made available in the Student Senate Office for anyone wanting information on the property.

Johnson is also taking measures to ensure the efforts of Senate this year will be continued.

"I'm working on getting into the constitution that the off-campus representatives will carry on what has already been done," Johnson said.

TOURNAMENT

Forensics team reaches third place in state

By JODI O'HAIR MISSOURIAN STAFF

The Northwest Forensics Team placed third in the Missouri Association of Forensics Activities State Tournament at Central Methodist College, Fayette, Mo., this weekend.

"They had a vision and did what they had to do to achieve that vision," Jeff Przybylo, assistant coach,

The two teams that received first and second place were Southwest Baptist University and University of Missouri in St. Louis.

"This was our best finish at state for some time," said Al Atkins, senior captain of the forensics team. "It was good preparation for the national tournament, and we are now officially recognized as one of the better teams in the state."

Results of the individual events included strong performances from individuals: Atkins placed sixth in impromptu, sixth place in extemporaneous speaking and fourth in poetry interpretation; freshman Shawn Bechtol placed fourth in after dinner speaking, third place in duo with freshman Neil Neumeyers ** and they won top novice for duo; sophomore John Kilby placed fifth in communication analysis; sophomore Irwin Thompson placed fifth in poetry interpretation and fifth in dramatic interpretation; sophomore Tish Topia placed sixth in oratory and fifth in informative; and junior Jim Ulvestead placed sixth in after dinner speaking, third in informative and top

novice for informative. "I am proud to see the younger members doing so well; it makes the future look good for the forensics

team," Atkins said. The forensics team will only be losing two seniors, so the team has a lot of young talent. They have

time to develop their skills to their fullest capacity. "They (forensics team) need to start looking now for the future, because we see so much potential," John Rude, head coach, said.

The NFA national tournament at Bowling Green,

Ký., will be April 13-17.

Student Senate president voices opinion of advocacy

CHIEF REPORTER

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president

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"It will be good because he can get the student

Student Senate will also voice any student concerns to the housing committee after a mail and phone survey of off-campus students is com-

p.m. March 8, in the City Hall council chambers.

Everybody's Proud To Be a Bearcat

cheerleaders are always the No. 1 supporters of the athletic teams. Next month,

BOBBY BEARCAT AND THE NORTHWEST CHEERLEADERS riles the crowd to they will cheer the 'Cats in the direction of a playoff victory. REFER to page 7 to an uproar as they cheer the 'Cats to another victory. Bobby as well as the receive the inside story about the men's and women's basketball teams. Also see page 8 for an in-depth feature story about Northwest's furry mascot.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

ABC's goal to enhance diverse cultural awareness

BLACK History MONTH

NEDERIGI The African-American Art **Exhibit comes** to a close. Page 5

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

✓ Feb. 24, 7 p.m. Night of Entertainment, University Club North and South \$1 ✓ Feb. 28, 7 p.m. Buffalo Soldiers, Conference Center.

No charge

By SARA MEYERS CHIEF REPORTER

From soul food dinners to the Buffalo Soldiers, the Alliance of Black Collegians sponsored the annual Black History Month during February; trying to educate and diversify Northwest's cultural aware-

Enhancing the University's awareness of the African-American culture and history was the primary goal of ABC as they planned and prepared Black History Month activities.

"We wanted to educate and make people who aren't black more aware of our culture," Lonita Rowland, president of ABC, said.

ABC made changes to this year's agenda to try to increase the number of students who attended each

"All of them had good turnouts," Carlene Hawkins. treasurer for ABC, said. "The weather was a little

hampering on some."

More planning and events were all part of these changes, Rowland said.

"Basically we had more activities," she said. "We took the time to plan it out ahead of time and have events every week instead of one here and there."

Rowland attributes the fact that they averaged two functions every week to the better turnouts they received.

"If someone missed an activity, there was always another one around the corner," Rowland said. Although changes were made, ABC did not reach

as many people as they had initially hoped and intended. "We wanted to reach as many people as possible," Hawkins said. "There has been a lot of feedback on

(the activities) about what people liked and what they

would like to see more of." Hawkins believed an important lesson to be learned by everyone from Black History Month was that the

African-American culture was something more than just day to day; the culture has extended far beyond that and still continues on.

ANTONINO MICELI/Northwest Missourian

"Black history isn't just the month, it is every day of the year," Hawkins said. "We wanted to educate that it should be respected all year.'

There are two events still upcoming during Black History Month: The Night of Entertainment and the Buffalo Soldiers.

The Night of Entertainment will be an audience participation activity where ABC members will act outroles from movies and whoever guesses the most right will win prizes donated from area businesses.

ABC members will meet with the Buffalo Soldiers on Feb. 28 and have dinner at Country Kitchen. They will then hold a special presentation at the

Conference Center at 7 p.m that same evening. The Buffalo Soldiers performance will preview what the soldiers have accomplished in wars, show

a film and then answer any questions.

Sports ▶ The men's Bearcat basketball team claim the homecourt advantage in the conference.

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WHERE I STAND



Columnist

Capital punishment is cure for society's ills

Execution stops repeat offenders

ello, silent majority. I will continue in my opinion of the moral questions that are being posed to the American people. I will discuss capital punishment.

Capital punishment has become a hot topic in recent months, due in large part to the creation of the crime bill. That bill has increased people's awareness of capital punishment and the effect it could have on crime.

I would like to start my dicta on this topic with the pretense that the death penalty does not deterall violent crimes. There are people who commit these acts no matter what the punishment. For these people, I have no answer to their problems.

However, the majority of serious offenders are repeat offenders. Would it not do our society a justice if these criminals were kept from repeating?

Prison overcrowding, poor treatment of prisoners and lack of sufficient health care for the incarcerated are all problems that our justice system will have to deal with in the next few years. With capital punishment imposed more stringently, it will, at the very least, curb the size of the dilemma.

A first time serious offender found guilty without a shadow of a doubt should not be sentenced to a life sentence. My punishment would consist of the offender's life. There should not be a second chance offered.

The circumstances that warrant a death penalty are rape, murder and treason. Murder, under my definition, is any type of murder, premeditated, first, second or third degree. There should not be a double standard involved with the penalty between the

The government should set up regional facilities where these offenders will serve the rest of their limited lives. They will be housed, and upon termination of appeals they should be executed.

Quite possibly, with the enactment of such laws, there would be a determent from violent crimes.

Maybe criminals would think twice before committing such an act of ag-

If it causes one criminal to change their mind, it would be worth the while.

There are no negative aspects of this proposal. The pressure on judges and juries would be circumvented slightly because of the responsibility put on them to determine the length of sentences and their severity. Now the sentence would be cut and dry.

To impose these sanctions would be quite simple,

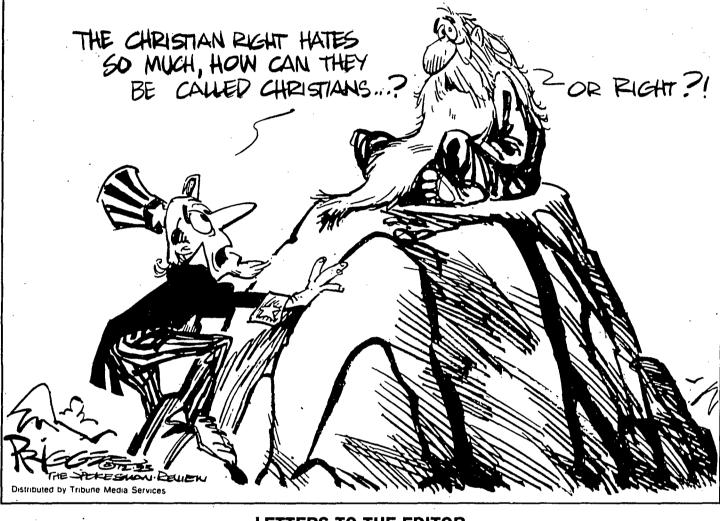
For a state to receive its full amount of aid from the crime bill, which will likely be passed this congressional session, it must incorporate capital punishment into its legal systems and participate fully in the regional prison

President Clinton's current policy is to have a third-time serious offender put in jail for the rest of their life.

Why wait for the third offense? The victims did not get a second and third chance; their lives ended immediately.

Hopefully in the coming months, people will be able to speak about their thoughts on capital punishment. I think many will find there are more people for the aforementioned than one would initially believe.

This is Where I Stand.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Columnist's opinions flawed; murder is never acceptable

Dear Editor:

In the Feb. 10, Where I Stand column, Jeff Roe equated abortion with murder. However, some of his arguments are flawed.

First off, Roe stated that abortion is acceptable in cases of rape or incest. This is inconsistent with the view that abortion is murder. Is it okay to murder some fetuses but not others? And if this is not murder, how could Roe condemn a woman for having an abortion for reasons of a different, but equally valid, nature?

Roe also discounts the violence incurred at Pro-Life clinic protests. This pervasive violence is not at all "isolated". Many clinicians and their families are subjected daily to harassment, including death threats, from these "Pro-Lifers". Often, women seeking birth control are barred from entering clinics. This seems in direct conflict with preventing abor-

I find it very disconcerting that Roe compares a desperate woman who dies in a back alley abortion with a murderer who commits suicide. Would he feel the same emotions toward an unknown woman who aborted a month old fetus?

What makes human life precious is the relationships between individuals.

A fetus can have no such relationships, aside from the implicit relationship with its

Roe claims abortion is virtually uncontrolled. This is simply untrue.

Many states have parental or spouse noti-

fication clauses which make legal abortion not even an option for many women.

Angela Jones, sophomore

Column should rely on facts not emotionally based claims

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to the Feb. 10 column "Abortion Needs To Be Controlled,"

Roe's conclusions missed the mark, relying on emotional claims rather than a balanced look at the facts. For example, he omits the fact that the 1990 abortion figure mentioned also includes spontaneous abortions and miscarriages.

Roe's conviction that the termination of pregnancy is horrifying is not what is arguable. However, this does not mean the women taking this option are heartless killers. Instead these women are often unable to live their lives with a pregnancy. They are often very young, poor, unwed or unhappily wed, or jobless. Many times a pregnancy would result in being forced to leave home and/or school.

Adoption is often not a feasible option because of the loss of support from the family and society a pre-marital pregnancy often

Many times this makes it impossible to maintain a pregnancy to term for adoption.

The most effective way to stop abortion is not to condemn the women choosing it, but to develop practical alternatives.

Create or join a community group that gives pregnant women with special needs information on available resources.

Develop or join programs that help young mothers unable to live with their families get the financial support, education, or job training needed to start their new family or to carry their babies to term for adoption.

Through these means, and not through condemnation, can abortion as birth-control be stopped.

Samantha Perpitch-Harvey, senior

VOICE Your OPINION .

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All letters must be addressed to the editor.



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Take action to save the Earth

s the Earth doomed? In an article Tuesday, Feb. 22, in The Kansas City Star, it discussed a new study, which claims by the year 2100, if population trends continue, worldwide "misery, poverty, disease and starvation will increase." This type of study usually brings on a lot of controversy and discussion, but what it should bring about is action.

No single person is responsible for putting us on this path, and it will not be a single person or country that can change the way things are going. The study's author, David Pimentel, is an ecologist at Cornell University, and he said if people do not control their numbers then nature will. The report on the whole seems to be a little pessimistic. However, it is only sane to realize this is a projection, and the future is not destined. This study is what we would like to think of as a warning, and if birthrate and use of natural resources remain at its constant rate, then the inhabitants of Earth are heading for crucial times.

Thus, we are in a time in need of change. This change will happen gradually, and it must begin now. As the average lifespan keeps growing, there might be students at Northwest who will still be living in 2100. We encourage minimal consumption of natural resources and the advancement of new technology.

We have to realize the Earth can continue to live without human inhabitants, but humans depend upon the Earth to live. We must be willing to make sacrifices now to ensure the growth and prosperity of the world.

Greek hazing not deceased

undreds of young men at Northwest attempt to do what Michael Davis did last week – pledge a fraternity. However, Davis was subjected to behavior which would be found inappropriate at Northwest and at most other universities.

Because of this behavior, Davis is dead, and at least 11 men have been taken into police custody. Davis, 25, was a journalism student, and he was pledging the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity at Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau. The official cause of death was blunt trauma to the head. He told his girlfriend the night before he died about hazing which had occured to him and other pledges.

This was Davis' second attempt at becoming a Kappa – the first time in 1991 the Kappas became suspended for hazing. However, Davis' goal of becoming a Kappa was cut short. He will never learn the secret handshake or wear the letters of a Kappa.

Anti-hazing laws are present in 38 states, including Missouri, yet activities of hazing somehow still lead to deaths. The Kappa national office also banned hazing in 1990, but this responsibility did not flow. over to all of its chapters.

The Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity has been suspended at Southeast Missouri, and the full story will eventually come out. Somewhere the violence must end, and unfortunately it sometimes takes a problem like this to get the word out.

Northwest has promoted anti-hazing through seminars, making a strong, stable system of brotherhood is possible. We praise Greek organizations at Northwest, and hope they continue to teach and educate members on the harms of hazing, so a Northwest student does not lose his life. We give our sympathy to Davis' family, and hope more universities will adopt an anti-hazing policy similar to Northwest's.

American with five marks of distinction

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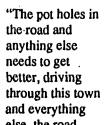


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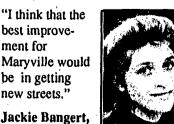
Keith Rash, senior



else, the road

needs to be widened, turning lanes. Hopefully it will be taken care of this spring.'

Chris Arnold, junior



freshman

"New guttering system would be good. There's dirt and mud and everything for about a month after it

rains.." Trisha Vaughn, senior



"A lesser fine on parking tickets and also better parking."

senior





WEEKLY BRIEFING

OF EVENTS

Thursday

10 a.m. "Ugly EP contest" will be held in the Spanish Den. 2 p.m. Football staff reception will be held in the Conference Center. 3:15 p.m. Political Science Club meeting will be held in 244 Colden

7 p.m. Bible study will be held in the Baptist Student Union. 7 p.m. HALO meeting will be held in

Northwest Room. 7 p.m. ABC: "A Night of Entertainment" will be held in University Club.

7:30 p.m. Bearcat Sweethearts meeting will be held in 243 Colden

8 p.m. Chi Phi Chi meeting will be held in the Regents Room. 8 p.m. Suzanne Potter's Senior Recital will be held in Charles Johnson Theatre.

8 p.m. German Club meeting will be held in 314 Colden Hall. 8 p.m. Biologist Adrian Farmer lecture will be held in 218 Garrett-Strong.

Student payday. Federal Reseve Bank inteviews will be held in LowerLakeview Room.

10 a.m. "Ugly EP contest" will be held in the Spanish Den. National Afro-American Exhibit classes will be held in DeLuce Gallery.

26 Saturday

9 a.m. Jump Rope for Heart will be held in the Student Recreational Center.

9:30 a.m. Men's tennis Alumni Match will be held at the Grube Courts. 6 p.m. Men's and women's basketball will be held at Washburn. Junior High Music Festival. Bearcat baseball will be held at Rockhurst.

2 p.m. Bearcat baseball vs. Missouri Western will be held at the Bearcat Field.

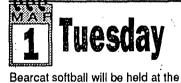
7 p.m. Douglas Neidt Guitar recital will be held at Charles Johnson



10 a.m. Mid-semester deficiency grades will be at the Registrar's Office.

7 p.m. Comedy Sportz will be held in the Union Ballroom.

7 p.m. Buffalo Soldiers presentation will be held at the Conference Center. 9 p.m. Comedy Sportz will be held in the Union Ballroom.



University of Nebraska-Omaha. FBLA contest. High school choral invitational. Bearcat baseball will be held in Missouri Western.



No events scheduled.



A look at statistics and information that affects the University.

PAYING THE BILL As government aid is diminishing, colleges have assumed a larger share. Figures are in billions of dollars. **83-'84** 🔲 '88-'89 **10** '88-'89 19,9 25.5 204% 10-year increase 14.2 79% ^{91%} 7.0

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City fires manager

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Greg Fisher

president.

past chamber

By RUBY DITTMER MISSOURIAN STAFF

Maryville Mayor Gerald "Doc" Henggeler announced, at a press conference, that City Manager Bill Galletly was fired.

The circumstances surrounding Galletly's dismissal are vague. The 3-2 decision was made at a special

closed executive session Feb. 14. Galletly was informed of the council's deci-

sion at approximately 11 p.m. Monday.

At the press conference, Henggeler said he believed the council acted in accordance with the laws governing the state of Missouri.

"We put it off as long as we could from Jan. 1 to last Monday," Henggeler said.

"I know for myself individually, I wanted everything to settle down a little so that we did not come into a heated, hot session right after the termination of Mr. Blankenship and the discovery of the funds."

Maryville Finance Director Bill Blanketship was recently fired by Galletly as a result of investment practices.

Those investments made through a Houston brokerage have cost the city approximately \$561,000.

The mayor also said the council had had a tough time during the 72 hours following the Galletly's termination.

"I can only say that difficult times make people work better together, it is and has never been easy to dismiss an employee," Henggeler

Greg Fisher, past president of the Maryville Chamber of Commerce, believed differently.

"What actually, probably, had more to do with the demise of Bill Galletly is a willingness on the part of the mayor to find some way, come hell or high water, to get rid of Bill Galletly before his (Galletly's) term expired," Fisher said.

"He pushed and pushed and pushed and when this financial matter finally came up, here was

the vehicle that he (mayor) was going to use to see that Galletly was removed before the mayor's term on the council had expired."

"And I feel that's the overriding reason that he was dismissed, I really do," he said.

"It took two other members to vote with him, but he's been after Bill Galletly since the day he got on the council, and wanted him fired, and wanted him out of there and he's been looking for it all this time, and he finally got it."

When contacted, Councilman Dale Mathes said he could not discuss why Galletly had been

"The reason cannot be discussed," Mathes said. "All I can say is that I thought the motion had to be made. The Missouri censoring law and our city attorney

advises us not to discuss any personnel manners discussed in the executive session."

."The city will continue to operate as it has in the past," Henggeler said. "The necessary phone

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STATE

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JACK VAUGHT/Northwest Missourian

WITH WINTER UPON THEM once again, Jennifer Barmann and Angle Schuster decided to test the snow-covered hill at St. Gregory's Catholic Church. The snow, which fell on Tuesday and Wednesday, brought over six inches to Maryville.

Fraternity hazing results in death of Southeast pledge

ST. LOUIS (AP) - Edith Davis suspected something was wrong when her son, Michael, told her a week ago that fraternity hazing was something he could handle.

Monday, Feb. 21, she buried him.

Davis, 25, died from being kicked and beaten as part of his initiation into Kappa Alpha Psi at Southeast Missouri State University, police said. Thirteen men with ties to the fraternity have been charged in the hazing ritual that involved as many as four other pledges. Seven men are also charged with involuntary manslaughter in Davis' death.

"Michael seemed nervous and was in a hurry," Davis said. "He said he'd been beaten," Edith Davis said, recalling her son's visit one minutes, was the last time Edith Davis saw her



Edith Davis of University City said her son asked for money and said he needed \$150 to pay fraternity dues. She gave him \$20 and sent him back to Cape Girardeau.

That Feb. 12 visit, which lasted about 10

week ago and a scar she son. Three days later, she received a call from against the nine students involved in the attack a Cape Girardeau hospital with the news that Michael was dead. "I asked him why he

"I'm just a nervous wreck. I haven't been nity. He said, 'Mamma, if able to sleep - do nothing," she said, fighting back tears.

> Michael Davis had been at Southeast since the fall of 1990. He was a junior, majoring in journalism and was on the student newspaper. He served on the Student Affairs Council at the university and made mostly A's, his family

Hazing is against school and state laws, authorities said. Thursday, Feb. 17, Kappa Alpha Psi was banned from campus.

Southeast has also taken disciplinary action

Art Wallhausen, assistant to the university's president, said federal law prohibits him from saying what that included. Northwest has a non-hazing policy for fra-

ternities and sororities. In addition, Northwest has speakers come to campus to address the hazing issue. Intrafraternity Council President Michael

mended for being "the only state school who hasn't had an incident with hazing recently." Caldwell added that the use of hazing is

Caldwell believes Northwest should be com-

unacceptable. "There's no reason for it. It's complete

studpidity," Caldwell said.



University

Piano duo to provide variety of musical styles for campus

A piano duo will provide a variety of styles including selctions from Mozart. Pianists James and Kathryn March will perform a guest recital at 8 p.m. Monday,

Bearcat Arena will be host to basketball playoff game

Feb. 28, in the Charles Johnson Theatre.

Northwest will host a first-round game in the MIAA post-season tournament.

The men's basketball playoff game will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 1, in Bearcat Arena. Tickets for the game will go on sale at 8 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 28.

Tickets will be \$3 for general admission, \$4 for railback seats and \$5 for chairback seats. The tickets will be sold at the Student Services Center and at the door.

Touring group's performance mocks broadway musicals

"Forbidden Broadway: Volume 11" will stop to entertain Northwest for an evening. The show takes a hilarious look at Broad-

way musicals such as "Miss Saigon," "M.Butterfly," and "Phantom of the Opera."

This national tour stop will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 2, in Mary Linn.

Ugly winner will shave head; students vote by donations

Who is the ugliest Sigma Phi Epsilon member at Northwest? Cast your vote soon in the Spanish Den..

The fraternity is holding an "Ugly Ep" contest to benefit the fight against Lou Gehrig's disease. Student's can vote by placing a donation

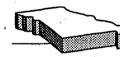
in their favorite member's container. The Sig Ep with the largest amount of

money will submit to a public head shaving at noon Monday, Feb. 28, in the Spanish Den.

New athletic director invites public to welcome coaches

James Redd, athlétic director, is inviting the public to a reception honoring the new football coaching staff,

The reception will be from 2-4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24, in the University Club.



2 men charged with murder of Casey's store employees

COLUMBIA (AP) - An 18-year-old man was charged with three counts of seconddegree murder for allegedly supplying the gun used in a convenience store robbery that killed three employees.

Police also have recovered the claw hammer used to beat the clerks to death, said Deputy Chief Carroll Highbarger.

The gun, which had been cleaned, was recovered from the home of Ernest Lee Johnson, who is charged with three counts of first-degree murder in the Feb. 12 killings at a Casey's General Store.

Arrested Friday, Feb. 19, was Rodriques Grant, the son of Johnson's girlfriend. Grant and Johnson lived in the same home along with a 16-year-old who is charged with disposing of Johnson's bloody clothing.

School principal found guilty of 11 sexual abuse counts

CARUTHERSVILLE (AP) - A former teacher and principal in the East Prairie school system in southeast Missouri has been found guilty of 11 counts of sexually abusing three

Convicted in Pemiscot County Circuit Court Friday, Feb. 18, was Michael A. Euer, 54, a decorated Boy Scout leader, who had faced up to 42 sexual abuse charges involving at least 12 youths.

All but the 11 counts he was convicted on were dismissed in September 1993.

Extensive house fire kills 2; chief says worst in 23 years

LEMAY (AP) - Two people, including a 2-year-old girl, were killed and nine people were injured in a house fire Monday, Feb. 21.

Lemay Fire Chief George Williams said 11 people were inside the small frame house in south St. Louis County when the fire broke out about 7:30 a.m.

Neighbors helped tend to the victims, bringing blankets and sheets to keep them warm until medical personnel arrived. Williams said the fire was one of the worst

in his 23 years with the department. Nine people, including three children, were taken to three hospitals. One victim was pronounced dead at the scene and the 2-yearold girl was pronounced dead on arrival.

52 displaced Bosnians safe in Kentucky; more expected

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) - Bosnians displaced by civil war have come to Kentucky and more are expected in the coming months.

In the past year, Catholic Charities of Louisville has resettled in Louisville 52 Bosnians from 19 families and is expecting 22 more Bosnians to arrive soon, said the Rev. Pat Delahanty, director of migration and

Blood test may show if man fathered teen's slain baby

MARTINSBURG, W.Va. (AP) - Attorneys are awaiting blood tests from a man accused of sexually assaulting a teen-ager who police have charged with killing her newborn daughter.

Police are trying to determine whether Richard D. Morgan, 34, of Martinsburg was the father of the infant found dead Nov. 28, in the back yard of her mother's home.

Prosecution trying to block insanity defense in slaying

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) - An man accused of killing an abortion doctor will not be allowed to use an insanity as a defense.

Michael F. Griffin, a pro-life activist and Christian fundamentalist, is charged with firstdegree murder for the March 10 shooting of Dr. David Gunn.

Circuit Judge John Parnham on Monday, Feb. 21, approved a deal in which the state will not seek the death penalty if Griffin is convicted.

In exchange, the couple will allow the use of the testimony of a jail guard who overhead their conversation the next day.

Blair garners 5th gold medal; **Kerrigan leads figure skaters**

LILLEHAMMER, Norway (CNN) -Speed skater Bonnie Blair is burning up the rink, collecting her fifth gold medal. Blair has now collected six medals becoming the top female medal winner and the most decorated athlete in U.S. Winter Olympic history.

After the short program competition, figure skater Nancy Kerrigan was in first place and Tonja Harding finished in 10th place pushing her out of medal contention.



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Police say recent explosions may be connected to gang

MOSCOW (AP) - Three men carrying explosives were arrested at Moscow's largest flea market, where three bombs have gone off in the last two weeks, police said

Monday, Feb. 21. The bombings had been followed by anonymous telephone threats to several newspapers warning of a war against "speculators." Police have said the explosions might be part of a gang war.

The first two bombs went off Feb. 11 at the Luzhniki market in vendors' storage rooms; nobody was hurt. A third bomb, in a shoebox, went off Friday, Feb. 18, under a truck belonging to a private trading company. One bystander was injured.

Hash dealer teaches lesson in drug abuse to teen-ager

VENLO, Netherlands (AP) - A 13-yearold boy set on buying hashish wound up feeding a sweet tooth instead of a drug craving.

The German youth on Saturday, Feb. 19, paid a drug dealer 500 marks (\$290) for what he thought was hashish, but received a piece of chocolate instead, officials said.

The boy, whose name was withheld, was handed the customary foil-wrapped package after paying the money, police said Monday, Feb. 21.

Ex-Energy Minister testifies he was always true to party

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) - The highest ranking Communist Party official to publicly stand trial on corruption charges told the court that he had always been "true to the party and the revolution."

During the five-day trial, former Energy Minister Vu Ngoc Hai has won support from the public gallery, as defense lawyers endlessly attacked the state prosecution. The prosecution has urged jail terms of

three years for Hai, and one to seven years for the eight other defendants. The alleged fraud took place in 1992 over

the purchase of 4,000 tons of steel for the new north-south transmission line.

The case involves about \$300,000 allegedly embezzled when the materials were

CITY NEWS

City names committee to study housing codes

By LONELLE RATHJE

CHIEF REPORTER

Complaints of restrictive housing codes for off-campus students prompted Mayor Gerald "Doc" Henggeler to name a committee to revamp such codes.

Several landlords originally brought complaints to the attention of council members at a Feb. 2 City Council

Patrons criticized the city's enforcement of the upgraded housing codes and zoning regulations, which were enacted more than two years ago.

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"In many instances, property owners felt the codes were too restrictive," Henggeler said. "For instance, consider a house that is 80 years old. What happens if it burns down? Under the present city code, it says that the house is new construction. We all know that is not new construction."

Al Wilson, President of the Maryville Rental Association, which is comprised of property owners, addressed a letter to the city council two weeks ago outlining what his association wants the committee to do.

"We want property owners notified of a potential problem and to give them 30 days, depending on the problem, to make corrections before any inspection is made," Wilson said. "Also, we want to treat older rental property as existing housing rather than new construction when making repairs to correct problems.

"In addition, property owners should be given three working days notice of any inspection and allow the property owner or his agent to be present," he said.

Despite what the MRA would like done,

Wilson said the current codes are fair. "We basically would like to see uniformity

in enforcement," he said. "We are concerned for the safety of those who reside in the properties.

"They (members of the committee) are all individuals who I think will look at this code, review it in the correct manner and propose something for the best interests involved," Wilson said.

Chairperson Keith Arnold said he will meet with Henggeler for guidance on what the committee needs to accomplish sometime next week.

The first committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for 4:30 p.m. March 8, in the city hall council chambers.

'We don't really have a plan of attack until we meet and find out the problems," Arnold said.

Possibly the main problem, Arnold added, was that the laws have not been enforced. He said the committee will determine if the laws are wrong, if they are interpreted wrong or if they are administered wrong,

"But we will be very careful before we go and change the codes. We will look at how the codes are administered more so than making code changes," he said.

Landlord Dennis Newby believes the codes need to define boundaries between landlords and the city.

"They're no good in my opinion," Newby said in reference to the newly named committee. "Several of these people are those who have vested interest in things going the way they already

> "Our biggest thing is getting the city's nose basically out of landlords' business where it doesn't belong," he said. "There's a need for regulations, but change the procedures to get some rhyme and reason into them."

Gary Graves, city code enforcement officer, said he is called in to do an inspection, he is mandated by libel, codes and ordinances to record the violations he sees.

"I am sure they (the landlords) think they are being harassed, but we are not doing that,". Graves said.

"We are just doing our job as we are mandated to do it. We operate on a complaint only basis. We do not go and drive the streets and say, 'Oh, there's one we want to look at.'We try to temper our inspection before we come in. We are not out here just to doze houses down."

Fine tuning, Graves added, on specific codes and procedures is crucial.

"Any time a lawyer sits down to write codes, there tends to be terminology which is unclear," he said. "We want to get it to the point where it is generally understood by the average individual.'

Diana Melrose, senior, who lives above Molly's Bar with 15 other occupants, said she was pleased the committee was formed.

"I live, right now, in a place that does meet codes," Melrose said, "but I am afraid it is going to fall down. There's cracks in the walls, the floor squeaks and there's holes in the roof."

Bruce Smith, senior, and Dawn Cooley, junior, who live off campus agreed it is crucial to revamp housing codes.

A LOOK AT HOUSING

Building demolitions

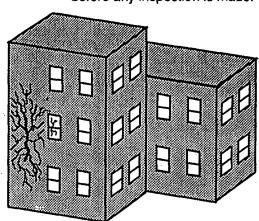
Since 1990, 29 Maryville-area structures were demolished. Three of those demolitions were done by the city.

Constructed housing

Since 1990, 218 housing units were constructed – 64 of those units were outside the city limits.

Message to renters:

Maryville Rental Association wants property owners to be notified of a potential problem and give them 30 days to make corrections before any inspection is made.



DERRICK BARKER/Northwest Missourian

"I think there are a lot of crooked landlords out there a watch dog program should be created," Smith said. Cooley said "slums" are not ideal living conditions for

students. "They need to make sure students are not living in slums," Cooley said. "I've heard horror stories of rats infesting the houses and then of the landlords who take more money from the students. They're treating the students badly."

Shane Mercure, junior, said that he is aware of the need for improved housing, yet he has not been subjected to many of the problems other off-campus students have had.

"My landlord is personally a really decent guy and I have never had any problems with him," Mercure said. "But my friends that live downtown — that's a different story."

"Yet I am skeptical seeing how this town works," he said. "Money talks. Basically, it's usually the students against the town and the town usually wins. I am skeptical as to whether they (the committee) will actually do anything.'

There are nine people comprising the committee: John Abbott, a commercial real estate agent; Larry Apple, realtor and landlord, and Arnold, who served on the previous committee two years ago and who is a Maryville builder.

Also serving on the committee are Rob Geist, a heating and cooling contractor; Dave Howell, an insurance adjuster; Bob Huffman, an electrician; Trent Skaggs, Northwest Student Senate President; Shirley Reynolds, a renter;

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calls were made concerning the various projects that the city has going. The FEMA people were contacted, the airport project, the transportation department was contacted, the Mozingo Golf course personnel were contacted. Everything is preceding as follows, the schedules that were established will be met," Henggeler said.

Fisher, is also concerned with the way the city government will be operating without a city manager.

"I'm concerned with the Mozingo project, and certainly the fact that as many highway and transportation projects we're in the middle of right now, an experienced administrator is not at the helm," said Fisher.

Fisher said he believes without Galletly in charge of city affairs, Maryville

► GALLETLY from page 3 will not be able to operate as smoothly as it has in the past. "We've got millions and millions of dollars worth of work going on around

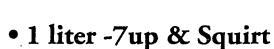
the city of Maryville at this particular time and the key person involved in negotiating those contracts and overseeing from the city's standpoint is now out of the picture," Fisher said.

The city has no one immediately replacing Galletly.

"... We have no one that is currently operating the city from a management standpoint that is what you would even by any stretch of the imagination call a professional administrator. That's something that Bill Galletly excelled at." Fisher said.

The responsibilities of the city manager have been distributed to council members. A search committee will hopefully find a replacement by May 15. Galletly was unavailable for comment.

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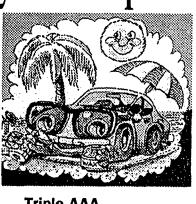
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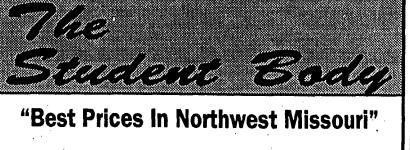
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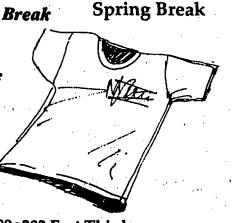


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Black artists' exhibit closes

By REGINA BRUNTMEYER MISSOURIAN STAFF

The DeLuce Art Gallery has been showcasing five African-American artists for almost a month.

The exhibit opened Feb. 7 and will close Friday, Feb. 25. The success of the exhibit was comparable to past exhibits with one exception.

Usually, there is a lecture given by the artists on opening night. There were no lectures given by any of the five artists, said, sophomore art major Sean Newton, who works in the gallery.

An art lecture would have brought a pressed an interest in seeing more work.

larger crowd to the exhibit, but the visiting throughout the month was average, according to Newton. The exhibit was positive in many ways.

"I liked the fact that we were representing five people," Newton said. "It allows us to see several people's views."

The art exhibit displays two or three works by each artist, and a variety of styles is evident.

'One student said that just because the artists were African-Americans doesn't mean their work has to represent their ancestry," Newton said.

The variety was there, but students ex-

"Art majors believed the exhibit was small, and they wanted to see more works by each artist," Newton said.

Another student thought more artists should have been represented in the exhibit.

"I believe more people should have been represented," Todd Osterhout, junior, said. "We are at the university level and need more diversity.'

As far as the artwork itself, students and other visitors favored the less abstract works. Newton said.

"A lot of people don't understand the creativeness in art," Newton said. "People tend to favor paintings they can understand."

Groups jump rope for disease prevention

By CODY WALKER Assistant Editor

A childhood pastime has proven to be a successful fund-raising effort for the American Heart Association.

Jump Rope for Heart will take place in the Student Recreation Center from 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 27.

"I anticipate about 200 people and that's a conservative number," James Redd, athletic director, said.

The teams collect pledges or the organization makes an overall donation. The funding goes to assist the American Heart Association to combat heart disease."

Teams from various schools including Eugene Field and St. Gregory's and Northwest organizations will also take part in the fund-raiser.

According to the American Heart Association, heart diseases kill more than 920,000 Americans every year, an average of one person every 34 seconds.

The recreation center will be open to those who are not participating.

"We are also having a heart fair," Janet Reusser, co-coordinator of event said. "There will be tables with educational pamphlets, and free blood pressure screening"

A show team of high-powered jumpers from Vallisca, Iowa, will be performing at '10 a.m. for those who are in attendance. According to Redd, there are three purpose for the events.

"The first reason would be to raise money," Redd said. "It is also to educate with an awareness program. It also promotes fitness and exercise through aerobic activity and the concept that those who exercise will have less of a chance of getting heart disease."

Heart disease does not strike one specific group of people.

According to the American Heart Association, 45 percent of all heart attacks occur in people under age 65 and 5 percent in people under age 40.

Cross Country Skiing



JACK VAUGHT/Northwest Missourian

WHILE TUESDAY'S SNOWFALL kept most people inside, Phil Laber, instructor of art, took the opportunity to exercise by cross country skiing. "When I don't get the chance to down hill ski, I like to cross country ski. It is nothing like the Nordic Track," Laber said.

Annual Bridal Show continues success

By CHRIS TRIEBSCH MISSOURIAN STAFF

With the springtime wedding season drawing near, the Sigma Society concludes another successful Bridal Show with those in attendance learning all about the most fashionable wedding wear for the upcoming sea-

"I feel the show is worthwhile because girls from the area can get information about things in St. Joseph and Kansas City," Jennifer Warren, co-chairperson of the show, said. "It's also a good opportunity for the group to work together and coop-

The annual show also includes booths from different merchants and companies.

This year there were 15 booths. This includes a reception booth, a Mary Kay cosmetics booth and various wedding clothes booths.

"Overall, it went really well," Warren said. "We didn't have any big problems and we had a lot of booths. I feel it is a good idea because the community kind of expects it. It is a good opportunity for merchants to get advertising and do follow-ups and thing like that."

According to Carrie Paulson, cochairperson of the show, there were an estimated 250 people present at the Bridal Show.

"Ithinkoverallitwentreally well," Paulson said. "Planning and organizing went a little bit smoother (this year). Overall I was very pleased."

The models included 20 Northwest females, 10 Northwest males and five females from Maurice's.

"It went smoother this year than last,"Robin Bybee, committee chairperson, said. "Everyone seemed to have a good time and the models really enjoyed doing it."

... Although the show basically followed the same format as previous years, it was more organized this

"I thought the members of Sigma Society worked smoother as a team this year, Bybee said. "There was a lot more communication between the different committees. I think overall the committee chairs were more experienced. There was a few bumps but nothing major."

One of the problems resulted from the model who was not able to participate. Two of the models had to do quick changes, but it all worked out well, according to Warren.

One of the things they have been talking about to improve the show next year is to expand the area of contact to get more information.

Environmental sciences sends students to Chicago

By CHRIS TRIEBSCH MISSOURIAN STAFF

Students from the University's Human Environmental Sciences department have gained more knowledge concluding a recent trip to Chicago.

The W.I.M. Conference includes students from six different states including Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Missouri and Michigan.

"This year we tried something new and it was really fun," Nicole Sullander, president of the conference, said. "There is a professional organization called Home Economics and Business, and on the opening night of our conference we combined with their student night."

The event provided a time for students to interact with professionals and

also included a roundtable discussion. "It provided a time for students to interact with professionals in the field," Sullander said, "From what we gathered, it was beneficial to everyone involved because the professionals got to see some fresh ideas that we were coming up with and we got to see some things that had been working.'

Many believe the conference is beneficial.

"I think it is beneficial because it gives you the opportunity to meet other students who are in the same field you are," Stephanie Howard, junior, said. "It also gives you the opportunity to see all the possible jobs in your field that you may not be aware of as well as

providing an opportunity to network with professionals in the field."

Some items discussed at the conference were hospitality, child development, merchandising and interior design. There were about 80 people at the conference.

"What impressed me the most was the opportunity to network," Sullander said. "Just having the chance to get a taste of what's out there. To learn about jobs, people, expectations and things like that.'

All the students who went were majors in Human Environmental Sciences and everyone was a member of the student membership section of the American Home Economics Association. Sullander was the secretary for this year's conference and was elected president for next year's conference.

"I think having the responsibility of arranging tours with people in Chicago was a growing experience, Sullander said. "It made me be more professional because I had to address people correctly, send correspondence and talk to people on the phone."

Title changes have also been a major topic in the field of Human Environmental Sciences.

"Our title may be different but our goals will still be the same," Sullander

Seven students went on the conference, which lasted three days. An adviser and guest from the University were also present at the conference.



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Up With People entertain

Show features talent from 22 nations; group performs around world

> By LONELLE RATHJE CHIEF REPORTER

Raising awareness in a continually changing world was the theme of the Up With People's performance of "World in Motion" Thursday, Feb. 17.

Through songs and dances developed by writers and choreographers from various countries, students dealt with issues of constant global concern: raising a family, adapting to change, never giving up, love advice, pollution, refugees, rising above injustices, AIDS awareness, the rising population, education and civil wars.

The show featured cultures as represented by students from 22 different countries in a magazine-style news show that was broadcast from "downtown" Marvville.

The aim of Up With People, a nonprofit organization, which began in 1965, is to build understanding among nations and to equip young people with the leadership qualities of global perspective, integrity and motivation to service.

Samantha Callow, 22 and from Toronto, said she had just graduated with a psychology degree when she first saw Up With People perform.

"I was looking at doing something overseas," Callow said. "I went to a show and I was amazed. After that I applied."

Through months of saving and getting donations, Callow raised the \$11,500 needed for the tour.

"A lot of people think it sounds hard to get that much money, but I did it on my own," she said.

Throughout the group's three-day stay with host families in Maryville, half of the 125-member group were setting up the stage, equipment and sound, while the other half were busy

in the community. The group in the community participated in a discussion with the gay and lesbian organization, GALTAN, and they also volunteered their time at Kiddie Castle Child Care and Nodaway Nursing Home.

Callow said that such experiences in the community foster and help speed the group's educational growth, in respect to themselves and other cultures.

"You learn about yourself, and you learn to work with others as a team," she said. "You really learn a lot about internationalism, meaning respect for other people and their languages. There's a lot you can learn if you set your mind to it."

She added that the educational experiences gained in the group become an asset while in the job market.

Callow told of a woman who traveled with the group and later became an intern with a company that sponsored the show.

Several alumnus of the show now travel as full-time staff and scholarships are also made available.

"Sothere are just an endless array of possibilities after your year of perfor-

mance," she said. Throughout the duration of the group's stay, Callow also noted her appreciation for the warm hearts of

Maryville residents. "Maryville was great, and I couldn't

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believe it that there were signs up all over town welcoming us," she said. "The host families have been great here. We've learned so much from

Angela Moss, senior, said she enjoyed seeing all of the different countries represented.

"I liked the fact that they include music and costumes from other countries," Moss said. "I loved the dancing. That was my favorite part."

Melanie Brown. junior, said she enjoyed and was pleased with the dancing and the performers.

Thehighlightwas just seeing all the different cultures." Brown said. "But the dancing was especially outstanding. It was really a unique experience."

After the performance, audience members between the ages of 17 and 25 were encouraged to meet with a group representative for an interview to participate in a future tour.

Television revolution takes another twist

Information highway offers new utilizations; costs delay conversion

> By SARA MEYERS CHIEF REPORTER

The revolution of television and radio is about to take another turn. Digital communication is sweeping the technological standpoint of broadcast-

Charles Sherman, senior vice president for television, spoke Tuesday, Feb. 22, at the Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art in St. Joseph, Mo., on "the morphing of television" and the development of future technologies in the field.

The first advancement in broadcasting was videotape then came satellites, which changed the way America viewed the world.

"Satellite changed the nature of television today," Sherman said. "It changed the nature of the way we look at the world. Who would have thought we would be watching the Persian Gulf War on television?"

The conversion of America to the information superhighway Sherman attributed to the digital communication development.

"The evolution that is taking place now, and it is not really an evolution, it's a revolution, it is tied in with another type of technology," Sherman said. "It's digital that is really changing the way we broadcasters and we as an individual are operating."

Sherman believes television and radio broadcasters are ready to make the leap into digital communication.

The development of the information highway will revolutionize the way people use their television sets.

'The set, instead of being a passive receiver, is going to become active," Sherman said. "The real revolution in the future is going to be how that set is

One of the first things Sherman said the public will hear is the introduction of digital audio broadcasting.

This will be bringing the CD quality sound and zero-interference to ra-

High definition television is the end result of the convergence to digital communication. However, it is estimated this will not happen anytime soon because of the high cost of conversion.

CBS and PBS estimate the total conversion costs to be between \$10 to \$12 million. Although this would improve viewing quality of television, most Americans do not wish to foot the

"When it comes to most television viewing, most Americans don't give a damn about quality," Sherman said.

Sherman initiated the point of view about whether or not conversion to digital communication was worth the efforts.

The question today is: Are we in the broadcast department or are we in the telecommunications department?" Sherman said.

The future of broadcasting was a question brought up by the audience.

"I still believe over the air broadcasting will be the single most primary information gathering system in America," Sherman said.

Senate discusses off-campus living

By CHRIS TRIEBSCH MISSOURIAN STAFF

As off-campus housing becomes a heated topic of discussion in Maryville, Student Senate has decided to plan a phone-a-thon to find out problems off-campus students are having.

The phone-a-thon will take place for two hours on Thursday, Saturday and Monday. The purpose is to find out specific problems students are having so they can address the Maryville City Council.

"Some students who live off campus don't have much money and to take advantage of that and exploit that is wrong," Trent Skaggs, Senate president, said.

According to Skaggs, there are laws on the books to deal with light fixtures, plumbing and things of that nature. The standards are just not being enforced.

"It is important that the city council does realize that Maryville does have 6,000 students and that we can play an active voice in the city," Skaggs said. "A lot of times the city council hasn't been too responsive to some of the student's needs."

The city council will meet March 8 to go over the off-campus housing situation.

"If something isn't done, the city could easily have a \$5 to \$10 million lawsuit on their hands if something happened," Skaggs said. "We need to guard against that.

Stories of off-campus living problems already include leaky roofs, cracks in upholstery, monoxide poisoning and mud on floors that is so bad plants are growing out of it,



JACK VAUGHT/Northwest Missourian

JESSICA ELGIN, STUDENT Senate Public Relations Committee vice president, urges Senate members to sign up for the upcoming phone survey to determine the status of sub-standard housing in Maryville.

according to Skaggs. "Most students feel cornered into living substandardly because living off-campus is cheaper," Brian Marriott, junior class president, said. "They feel they have no rights living off campus."

Skaggs recently announced that he was on a Maryville committee charged with looking into the question of substandard off-campus liv-

is a lack of contracts by landlords, which causes students to not say anything for fear of being evicted.

"If we were to get 500 students to vote in city council election for certain candidates, we could swing the election rather easily," Skaggs said. "People would begin to realize that we can be politically active."

Among announcements made at the Senate meeting was that campus diffing would be changing in some Skaggs said one of the problems areas. Mark Pi in the World of Cui-

sine will deliver through the month of April on campus. This will be a trial period to see students eating habits. In the fall it will definitely be a part of the program.

Also announced was that ARA would place a cooler in the Union to facilitate those students who like veg-A change that has already gone

into effect is that a person can go directly to the cashier in Tower if someone only wants salad.

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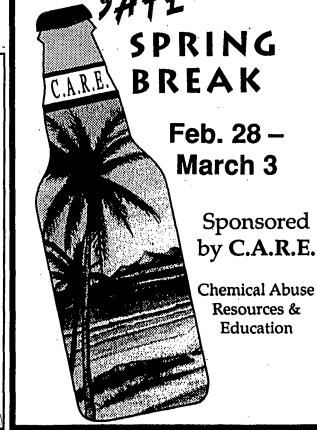
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KEY QUOTE

"We had a momentum spurt when Taylor got that dunk. We had been down by seven but we got the crowd in the game and that helped us."

Steve Tappmeyer, men's basketball coach,

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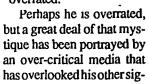
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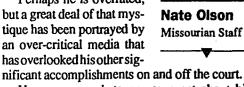
OFF THE BENCH

Shaquille O'Neal's All-Star performance

creates controversy

omething was said after the All-Star game that made me think. During the telecast, the announcers continued to refer to Shaquille O'Neal as "overrated."





You can say whatever you want about his game but O'Neal does have a huge following of fans from all across the world. He is very recognizable because of the many Pepsi and Reebok endorsements he does. He also has a rap album and a new movie "Blue Chips."

Nate Olson

Missourian Staff

Bob Cousy, the former Boston Celtic great, thinks in five years, O'Neal will be more popular than Michael Jordan. I agree with Cousy. He has Magic Johnson's smile and charisma and the ability to sell products like Michael Jordan does. He is the perfect player to take over for the older retired players like Bird, Magic and Jordan.

Is O'Neal overrated?

He is overrated but the All-Star game cannot be an ability barometer. It's a little different being triple-teamed by Hakeem Alajuawon, Shawn Kemp and David Robinson than it is by the Bulls' front line or the Knicks' front line and so on.

Being triple-teamed by three All-Stars is very different than being triple-teamed in a regular season game. However, if his passing skills were more polished he would have probably looked more impessive. He forced a lot of shots and that did not help his performance any.

One of the main reasons basketball followers consider O'Neal talented is because of his media exposure. He has been hyped up so much that some people think he is already the best player in the league. They see what he has done in two years and they think that makes him a legend.

Jordan encountered this early in his career. Jordan had a few big scoring nights early in his career and received a few endorsements and he was instantly a star.

We all know Jordan has to be considered to be one of the best players ever to lace up a pair basketball shoes, but he didn't achieve this greatness until later on in his career when the Bulls finally won a title and then continued to win two more. Jordan became more of a complete player when he passed more and stepped his defense up to another level.

O'Neal needs to lean on others

The emergence and improvement of B.J. Armstrong, Horace Grant and Scottie Pippen helped Jordan. The same holds true for O'Neal. When he is able to help turn the Orlando Magic into a title contender he will live up to the hype. A much-improving Anfernee Hardaway should help him. If the Orlando Magic can get Dennis Scott to step his game to a higher level or acquire some better players, that will help too.

O'Neal averages 29.1 points, 12.6 rebounds and 3.3 blocks per game. These are impressive numbers, but he needs to work on being a more allaround player. He has a great game now, but he could have an awesome game if he can extend his range a few feet and learn how to pass the ball more effectively. If he can learn how to pass in the post when he isn't hitting his shots he can make his team better.

O'Neal has plenty of time to polish his game because he is only 22 years old. If he can improve in these two areas,he will transform the Orlando Magic from a borderline playoff team to a championship contender.

O'Neal may be a bit overrated but he has has put up some big numbers early in his career and has the time to improve. He is also great for the game of basketball in a public relations sense. One bad All-Star game doesn't make him a bad player.

PLAYER WATCH

Jamie Hoberg

Class: Sophomore Hometown: Peru, Ill. (LaSalle-Peru HS) Major: Biology Career stats: Played in 15 games as



a freshman starting one game against Washburn University scoring four points in 19 minutes

Shot 78.6 percent from the free throw line This season's stats: Has started 21 of the 25 games averaging 4.1 points per game

with 2.1 assists Had a career high 14 points against Missouri Western in conference opener

'Cats win homecourt advantage

Northwest's win over UMSL clinches home game in MIAA tourney

> By NATE OLSON MISSOURIAN STAFF

The men's basketball team scored two victories in the past week, including a big 100-75 win over University of Missouri-St. Louis to earn a firstround home game in the MIAA conference tournament.

Northwest improves to 17-8 overall and 11-4 in conference play.

Northwest struggled throughout Wednesday's game with foul trouble. Three fouls in the first half kept junior center Ricky Jolley on the bench for most of the first half. Bearcat head coach Steve Tappmeyer said in a KNIM interview that the game plan was to pound the ball into Jolley. He did play most of the second half and his presence allowed the Bearcats to take control of the contest.

The Bearcats held a six point lead at half time.

Junior guard Steve Simon led the 'Cats scoring attack by netting 16. Junior forward John Golden and Jolley each contributed 14. Junior guard Scott Fidler and senior forward Darrell Wrenn chipped in 13 and 10 points off the bench respectively. Fidler snatched 10 boards for Northwest.

On Saturday, Feb. 19, Northwest was host to its last regular season home game against the Southwest Baptist University Bearcats.

Before the game, fans and teammates said goodbye to seniors Chad Deahl, Donnie Taylor and Wrenn. The emotion of the ceremony carried through the game as the 'Cats won a nailbiter, 66-64.

"I thought they (Deahl, Taylor and heart-breaking loss to Pittsburg State.

Wrenn) all played well," Tappmeyer said. "They all had super years and they're all super people. It was nice to see them contribute."

Northwest and Southwest Baptist went back and forth the first half. Both teams had trouble obtaining and keeping the momentum needed to go on a big run. Southwest Baptist went into the locker room at halftime up, 33-29.

Northwest fell behind by seven early in the in the second half, but managed to climb back into the contest. The second half saw eight ties and nine lead changes and the 'Cats never were able to lead by more than two.

Deahl hit two clutch free throws with just under a minute remaining to give Northwest a 64-62 lead. Southwest Baptist's Phillip Brazile hit a jumper from 12 feet out to knot the score at 64 a piece.

Taylor hit a layup and Southwest Baptist was unable to get a shot off before time expired to give Northwest a 64-62 win.

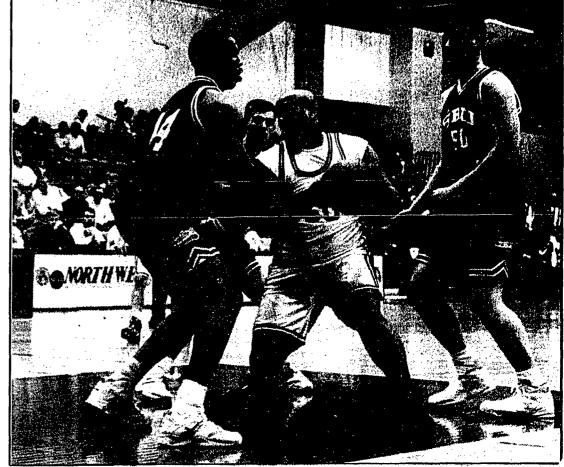
Jolley led the Northwest attack with 17 points. Taylor and Golden added 14 and 11, respectively to the cause. Jolley hauled down nine rebounds.

Taylor had a good outing on the defensive end as well by recording three blocks and three steals.

Tappmeyer said the turning point of the game was when the team enjoyed a burst of energy early in the second half.

"We had a momentum spurt when Taylorgotthatdunk,"Tappmeyersaid. "We had been down by seven but we got the crowd in the game and that helped us. We got our spurt to get back into the game and that was the turning

Tappmeyer said he thought his club came out ready to play after the



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WHILE LOOKING FOR an open teammate, junior forward John Golden keeps the ball out of the hands of Southwest Baptist University. The 'Cats slid by Southwest 66-64 Saturday, Feb. 19.

"I felt we would come out with intensity because we were not satisfied with with Wednesday's game performance," Tappmeyer said. "I knew it would show a lot about our team's intensity. All our guys came out and picked each other up and played a good game Saturday."

PREVIEW

Northwest will travel to Washburn University on Feb. 26, to play their last MIAA regular season game at 8 p.m.

SCOREBOARD

Saturday, Feb. 19 Northwest Southwest

Leading scorers: Jolley, 17; Taylor, 14; Golden, 11 Leading rebounders:

Missouri-St. Louis 75 Leading scorers: Simon, 16; Golden, 14; Jolley, 14; Wrenn, 10

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Wednesday

Northwest

Leading rebounder: Jolley, 9; Tayor, 5; Wrenn, 5 Fidler, 10

Cats drop 3rd straight,

Turnovers, poor shooting plague Northwest as they fall to Missouri-St. Louis

> By MATTHEW BREEN Missourian Staff

The women's basketball team, who at one time owned a 21-point first-half lead over the University of Missouri-St. Louis, fell to the Riverwomen, 71-66.

The five-point loss was, in the words of head coach Wayne Winstead in an interview on KNIM, "one of the most devastating losses of my coaching career."

Northwest began the game with suffocating defense against the 3-point shooting of St. Louis, and established the offensive tone for the game. However, Northwest surrendered the tempo of the game and their lead in the second half by committing 34 turnovers.

Northwest was paced by four Bearcats who scored in double figures. Sophomore guard Amy Krohn had 15. Senior center Cindy Schear added 11 and freshmen forwards Justean Bohnsack and Leigh Rasmussen had 10 each.

The 'Cats out-rebounded, out-muscled, and generally out-hustled the Southwest Baptist Lady Bearcats, Saturday, Feb. 19 at Bearcat Arena, but dropped their 18th game of the season and third in a row, 80-72.

Northwest began by scoring the first two

senior forward Shelly Jermain's opening shot, a feat which they would duplicate only twice over the next 37 minutes of the game. The game became a see-saw battle early

points of the game and capturing the lead on

in the first half, with Southwest Baptist mate ing Northwest shot for shot, never allowing for a lead of more than five points.

"Our defense played extremely well in limiting the number of shots they took all game long," said Bearcat women's head coach Wayne Winstead.

Although the Bearcats would tie the game on several occasions during the first half, they could not control Southwest Baptist's Kim Francis who scored 11 first-half points and Northwest headed into the locker room trailing 40-33.

The 'Cats would, however, draw to within eight points on three different occasions in the second half, on scores by Jermain, Bohnsack and freshmen forward Sandi Ickes.

"I hate to always fall back on the excuse of player inexperience, but that has to be a factor," Winstead said.

Ickes, who chipped in 15 points, lead a balanced scoring attack for the 'Cats, which included three other Northwest players in

Jermain grabbed a game-high 10 rebounds to go along with her 14 points. Krohn added 13 and Schear had 11.

This was also the last home game for Washburn University.

▶SCOREBOARD

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Schear, 8

seniors Jermain and Schear, whose leadership has helped the team endure throughout this season.

"I have great respect for Shelly and Cindy," Winstead said. "They were the glue that held this ballclub together when the going got tough. I also respect them for what they have given of themselves for this team." **PREVIEW**

For their final game of the season, the Bearcats will travel to Topeka, Kan. Saturday Feb. 26 to take on the Lady Blues of

Tracksters prepare for championships at Central Missouri

The Northwest men's and women's track and field team competed in the Nebraska Invitational meet in Lincoln, Neb., Friday, as a for the Feb. 29 MIAA Championships. There was no team scoring in the meet.

Sophomore Justin Sleath was the only Bearcat men's athlete to finish first in an event, covering the 400 meters in 49.42 seconds. Junior Jeff Fogel was second in the long jump with 22 feet, 1 3/4 inches. Senior Craig Grove turned in Northwest's other second-place finish, covering the 600-yard dash in one minute, 13.77 seconds.

For the Bearcat women, it was another stellar week for junior Tasha Godreau. The current MIAA track athlete of the week placed in three individual events and ran on the third-place mile relay team.

Godreau was sixth in the 55-meter hurdles with a time of 8.55. seconds, fourth in the 600yard dash with a time of one minute, 30.30 seconds, and sixth in the 200-meter dash setting in a school record time of 26.64 seconds. Godreau also ran on the third-place 1600 meter relay team that turned in a time of four minutes, 10.47

Junior Tanya Drake, who also ran on the 1600-meter relay team, added a third-place finish in the 55-meter hurdles. Drake's time of 8.33 seconds in the preliminaries was good enough for third place in the event.

Baseball season opens with pair of losses to Bellevue



LAURA RIEDEL /Northwest Missourian

FRESHMAN SCOTT McCUSH beats back the throw to first during the second game against Believue. The Bearcats dropped the double-header at home Thursday, Feb. 17.

By BOB JARRETT MISSOURIAN STAFF

The Bearcat baseball team began their 1994 season Thursday, Feb. 17, with two losses to the Bellevue College (Neb.) Bruins.

Fielding errors, pitching problems, and good Bruin pitching kept the Bearcats in the hole all day.

In the first inning of the first game, two errors and three walks allowed the Bruins three unearned runs. That was more than they would need. The final score from the first game was 5-1.

Jason Jarvis, junior pitcher for Bellevue, held the Bearcats to two hits, four walks, and one unearned run through six innings to secure the win. Junior Bill Carter, shortstop; seniors David Hobbs, first baseman; and Brian Davis, catcher, accounted for the Bearcats only three hits.

Bearcat starting pitcher junior Brent Goheen, had his problems out of the gate, allowing the first three batters he faced to reach base.

Goheen was pulled in favor of Scott McCush, freshman, who pitched three and two-thirds innings giving up two runs, two hits, and three walks, while striking out one. Junior Chad Beal finished the game for the Bearcats with three and one-third strong innings, giving up only one hit and striking out two.

In the second game, early-inning pitching again proved to be a problem for senior pitcher Sean Kidston and sophomore pitcher Ryan Weeks as the first five Bellevue hitters reached base safely and eventually scored.

"Obviously we didn't play up to our potential," Kidston said. "That's just part of the game. (You can) expect to see a much better team next time."

The bright spot in the second game, which was lost 7-5, was the offensive surge for the Bearcats. They pulled through with seven hits, including two each for Hobbs and Carter.

Goheen returned in the first inning of the second game, and while he allowed two runs, coming off one hit and two walks, he struck out four and improved his performance from the first game dramatically.

Davis retains his optimism for the

pitching staff, "We have a lot of young pitchers who haven't worked together much, there is some talent on the staff," Davis said. "They haven't faced a lot of live

batters yet." Freshman pitcher Mark Gutkowski finished strong for the Bearcats, throwing three innings and allowing one hit,

no walks, and striking out three. With two runs in the top of the fifth inning, the Bruins increased their lead to 7-3, but the Bearcats struck back

with two runs of their own. The bright spots for the Bearcats in the losses were quality hitting by the likes of Hobbs and Carter, the strong pitching of Beal and Gutkowski, and

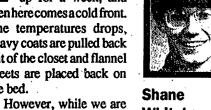
the renewed effort of Goheen. The Bearcats' scheduled games against Rockhurst College and Missouri Western have been canceled due

LIFESTYLES

HAVIN' FUN YET?

Extremes clash during spring cleaning ritual

he weather is playing tricks on us. It warms up for a week, and then here comes a cold front. The temperatures drops, heavy coats are pulled back out of the closet and flannel sheets are placed back on the bed.



Whitaker Columnist

in the fluctuation of season, it is a great time to take advantages of the fair days and start the important ritual

called spring cleaning. We all have messes, which only get worse during the winter, and for that reason the invention of spring cleaning came

Now what exactly is this momentous seasonal cleaning? For some this cleaning might only comprise of doing the dishes and laundry. While for others the big guns are brought out, and a semirevolutionay renovation occurs.

First, why would washing dirty dishes and doing laundry comprise the much dreaded spring cleaning? Well, for most people it doesn't, yet there are those who have given up all tasks for the

These are usually the people which cause a lingering odor in class, but hopefully they to will participate in the beautifying of the earth for the

However, their participation will not be too strenuous because this is how they operate; as minimalists. They attempt nothing which would require extra work, and they rely upon others for usually taking care of their basic needs. They are guys who leave the toilet seat down all the time because the next time they might want it down.

Minimalists vs. retentives

The minimalists will finally catch a whiff of their rotting socks and fungal stink, and they will take action. Finally, pulling their sheets off in the middle of the summer, the minimalist will have completed spring cleaning.

Contrasting these hygienic bums are the retentive types. They allow nothing to become chaotic, and they spend many hours of the day organizing and reorganizing. They are usually not happy unless everything is in its exact place. Their things are usually in a specific order, and it may be categorized by the alphabet, date, time period or various other ways.

Socks and underwear lie folded in their drawers, and if anything happens to be missing they nature have no hassles with spring cleaning, in fact some plan on sticking around for spring break just for the purpose of cleaning.

Both types, the minimalists and retentive, are male and female, and don't be fooled there are people which fall between the two extremes. Actually the extremes only make up about 2 percent of the population: 1 percent pure slobs and the other 1 percent are cleaning freaks.

A day never passes where the cleaning freak doesn't do something extraordinary in their cleaning, but when it comes to spring cleaning they miss nothing. The moderate perceptive is more of a hit and miss but try to get everything. Whereas, the retentive cleaner scuffles like a hunter waiting to find an unwelcomed spider's web. These people have closets full of equipment; ranging from window cleaner to carpet cleaner. Not to mention their favorite piece of machinery: the vacuum cleaner.

They don't go for any blue-light special Dirt Devil either; what they want is a lot more expensive and usually has at least 20 different attachments. The vacuum cleaner is used in a skillful manner, and the retentive person can find over 200 ways in which the vacuum can clean an area of the house. They even believe in vacuuming the front yard.

Perfect combination

Dust bunnies and dust mites must die, and the retentive cleaners will search high and low to zap them. The clean freaks smell dust while it's still whipping around the room waiting to settle on a piece of furniture. This really bugs them because they have no way to combat it at this stage. They wait patiently, and as soon as they are able it is wiped away. A true cleaning freak does not wait for dinner to be finished before the dishes are started.

The minimalist usually have great troubles with their toilet. They lack the materials for one thing, but usually they don't even care about cleaning it. In contrast, the retentive have several different brushes for cleansing of the commode, and there is always an assortment of detergents and bleach. These two types contrast in great detail, and it would probably be logical to say they would make terrible roommates. However, this is not true. There is a perfect match whenever there is a complimentary unit representing each ex-

The problem occurs when there are two of the same extremes in the same household. If there are two retentives they will argue over who gets to clean what, and no matter what the other does it won't be to their liking. Put two minimalists together and you have a pig sty - end of story.

IN PERSON

No. 1 school-spirit supporter ...

Avoiding small obstacles, Bobby struts his stuff at many University events

> By COLLEEN COOKE MISSOURIAN STAFF

y day, he is a mild-mannered Northwest student. At night he transforms into Bobby Bearcat, mascot of Northwest, defender of the Bearcats, champion of school spirit. As the mascot for the university, Bobby doesn't just work with the cheerleaders during athletic events, he attends Northwest functions, shows up in freshmen orientation videos, mingles during Family Day and generally represents the school — in a huge bear outfit.

In that outfit, Bobby has only one small eye slit to see through. He said the secret to not stumbling over himself and small children is to keep moving and always be looking ahead, just like they taught in Drivers Education. So if it appears that the person down on the court in that outfit is a bit hyperactive, it is only because he does not want to step on any unsuspecting children.

That isn't the only hazard of being Bobby Bearcat, though. Last December, he broke his arm, a rib and banged up his face in a stunt called the six-man basket toss. Emotions can run high at away games, and Bobby said he has been the punching bag of some children in Kirksville, Mo.

In fact, 10 years ago, he said some Central Missouri State University fans set the Bobby costume on

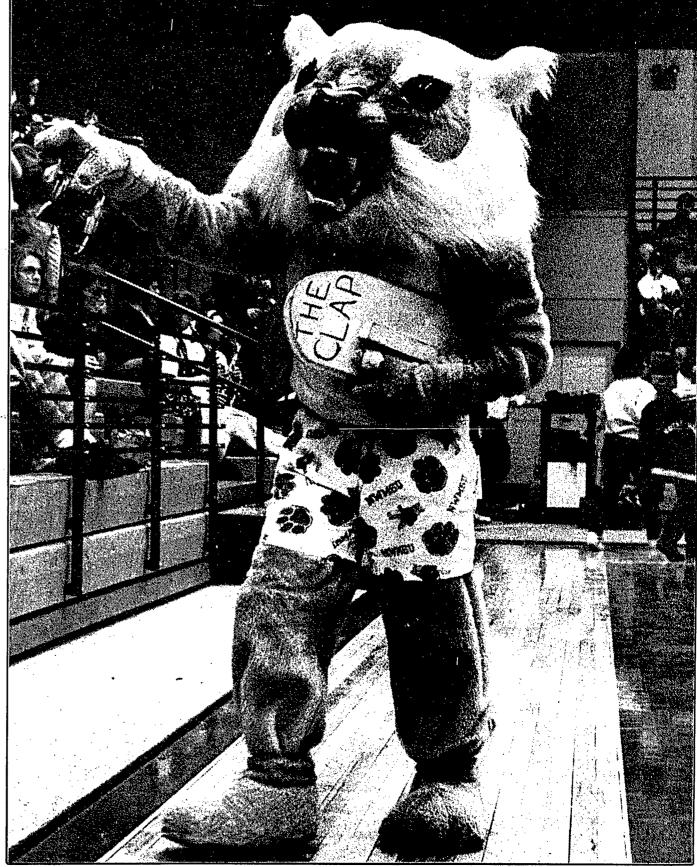
"I've been learning that at an away game - stick close to the cheerleaders," Bobby said.

It is during basketball games Bobby gets the most attention, because he is so close to the crowd. To get the crowd more involved in the games, Bobby moves constantly, being the most outspoken and visible fan the players have.

In general, Bobby keeps the crowd entertained and their eyes on the court. But he doesn't think his work is really important in involving the growd in the

"As far as I'm concerned, it's not really anything that I do," he said, "The cheerleaders and the team have more to do with it. I'm more of an entertain-

The current resident of Bobby's costume first stepped into those big furry shoes in 1992, and will continue to wear the bear hat through next year. He got the job when the former Bobby graduated, and the cheerleading department held auditions.



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BOBBY BEARCAT USES a clapper to get the crowd cheering. Bobby doesn't feel his work is really important in involving ▶BOBBY, page 9 the crowd. He said he is mostly there for entertainment, while the team and cheerleaders get fans involved.

YWHATE THE INSIDE SCOOP ON THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY

'CHIPS' ON THE LINE The earthquake Jan. 17 in Los Angeles nearly did in director William Friedkin's basketball movie "Blue Chips," which stars Nick Nolte and Orlando Magic's Shaquille O'Neal. The only copy of the original negative, being processed at a studio, was soaked with water, dirt and plaster. Luckily, after a cleaning process, only a few frames were destroyed.

JUST KIDDER-ING AROUND Remember Margot Kidder, Louis Lane in the "Superman" films? She just sold her first book to Simon & Schuster. She's calling it "Calamity," although she wants it to be a "humorous look at movies, psychiatrists and life." It's an autobiography, starting with her early years in Hollywood as an 18-year-old, but it certainly won't be a kiss-and-tell, she says. Why break Hollywood tradition?

VEGAS JUST A START Conquering her infamous stage fright and encouraged by the success of her New Year's weekend triumph in Las Vegas, Barbra Streisand will be doing an international concert tour. From April through July, she'll perform in a dozen European and U.S. cities.

STILL MOONLIGHTING Cybil Shepherd is scheduled for a club performance in Hollywood on March 18, a London concert on March 25, and she is writing a semiautobiographical movie in which she'll sing. She has been absent from the Hollywood scene to tone her singing skills in jazz clubs from Memphis to Manhattan. But now she's squeezing in the engagements between work on her upcoming CBS sitcom and such dramatic assignments as the NBC-TV movie "Baby Brokers."

PICARD READY TO RETIRE Patrick Stewart candidly admits he's ready to retire Capt. Jean-Luc Picard of "Star Trek: The Next Generation." When he finishes shooting the last, two-part episode of the syndicated hit's seventh season and the "Star Trek 7" film that then starts almost immediately, he'll be plunging into other projects. Among the jobs being discussed is his playing Daddy Warbucks in the film "Annie and the Castle of Terror," a nonmusical film that may go into production next year, after he fulfills a stage confimitment in London's West End.

LAMAS HAS CIVIL DIVORCE Just because they are getting a divorce is no reason for Lorenzo Lamas and Kathleen Kinmont to end their professional relationship. Kinmont's a supporting player on Lamas' syndicated action series "The Renegade," and he's informed his producers that she's welcome to stay with the show.

Source: Entertainment Weekly, USA Today and Kansas City Star

LIFESTYLES



(Above) BOOT TO THE HEAD. Bobby Bearcat puts on his karate uniform and proceeds to give the referee dummy a few lessons. During the game Saturday, Feb. 19, against Southwest Baptist University one referee did not appreciate the demonstration and made his opinion perfectly clear to Bobby.

(Right) BOBBY BEARCAT HAS friends of all ages. Here Bobby meets with 2-year-old Tyler Fromsom. At Northwest, Bobby receives a hearty welcome unlike the time at Kirksville when Bobby became a punching bag for some children and the dangerous time 10 years ago at Warrensburg when someone set him on fire.



Mascot busy in, out of Bearcat costume

► BOBBY from page 8

John Yates, coach of the cheerleaders, said the cheerleaders looked for a new mascot through personal interviews and tryouts, but they were looking for just the right sort of person for the job.

"We were looking for someone outgoing but demented and off the wall," Yates said.

Bobby likes what he does because, "I just love being able to make a fool of myself," he said. "I can just release all my frustrations under that costume."

Even before he had ever heard of the Northwest Bearcats, Bobby wanted to do something like he

"When I was a kid, I was a big fan of the rodeo clowns, and I always wanted to do something of that nature," he said.

Now, instead of chasing cows around a ring, he jumps on dummy referees and sucks on a huge baby with Bobby.

bottle to entertain the crowd and get some school spirit generated for the team.

Being the mascot of Northwest does not even begin to fill the résumé of Bobby.

In addition to all his duties for the cheerleading department, he is majoring in theater/speech education, he is a student ambassador and works in the theater department. That's just on campus.

Outside that, he drives a school bus every day, is a member of the National Guard and has coached summer baseball. Busy? Nahhh.

"I literally run myself to death," he said.

Yet overall, he may be most commonly known as that big bearcat. Just as most of America doesn't know who wears the Mickey Mouse outfit at Disneyland, most of Northwest does not know who Bobby's busy alter ego is (maybe because he does not have a free second to tell anyone). Which is fine

"I used to really keep it hidden because then I thought I could do more stuff," he said. "But now I find I have just as much fun because I know more people and I feel more obligated to do a good job."

team, according to the women's basketball coach Wayne Winstead. "Any time that you have crowd involvement and

In addition to having fun, Bobby helps out the

noise at home, it's a psychological thing that gets the adrenalin flowing in the team;" he said.

Men's basketball coach Steve Tappmeyer be-

lieves Bobby's effect on the crowd gives his team a special home court advantage. "It's huge. We see both sides of it on the road," he

said. "When the other crowd goes crazy it breaks you down. It gives you a huge advantage when you have that kind of crowd at home."

However, Bobby is closer to the crowd than the team and coach, and the fans lack of participation children.

disappoints the spirited mascot sometimes.

"I get really frustrated. I think they should be rooting for their home team," he said. "Sometimes I'd just like to take everyone in that crowd and put them in a uniform and make them play with a silent

With all the unique experience Bobby is getting as the mascot of Northwest, what does the future hold for him? "I wouldn't mind doing it professionally for a

couple of years," he said. "If I could stumble along a professional job tomorrow, I'd drop out of school right now." But not permanently, of course. Bobby said he

still wants to be a teacher, which is one of his lifetime

Until then, he will keep moving along, always looking down the road for opportunities and small

"When I was a kid, I was a big fan of the rodeo clowns, and I always wanted to do something of that nature.

Bobby Bearcat Northwest mascot

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Stick Figures use different elements advantageously



Bob Jarrett Music Critic

Maryville music scene produces another winning combination

been blessed with a wealth of good live music. This music has come from Maryville residents and from residents in other towns close enough to play in Maryville — and apparently

The Stick Figures are a mixture of both of those elements. Founded in Omaha, Neb., the Stick Figures have formed a solid base of fans in Omaha, Kansas City and Maryville.

Based on the musicianship of guitarists Pat Goodwin, 22, Kevin White, 27, and bass player (and brother to Pat) Mark Goodwin, 20; the raw, exuberant rhythms and vocals of Jason Mayberry, 21, and the drumming of Scott Eldridge, 24, this band has found themselves a musical home in Maryville.

I went to Molly's on Feb. 17 to see their latest outing. They decided, for a change, to begin with a couple of solo endeavors. Pat Goodwin began with two solo acoustic ballads. He is a good and versatile guitarist with a rough, rustic voice. His sense of timing in both his vocals and instrumentation is outstanding.

White played his solo projects next, and he is definitely one of the best guitarists (both technically and artistically) I have heard in a long time. His intricate blues improvisations are remilin, and, as if to prove that point, the second song of his solo set was an instrumental excursion that included a personalized slice of Led Zeppelin's 'Friends."

White's musical strength is his exquisite phrasing. His solo material (and his band work for that matter) involves extended musical stories, which are never incomplete or underwritten.

Mark Goodwin played the last section of this acoustic solo demonstration. The pleasant surprise of the evening for me was a clear hearing of Goodwin's voice. While in no way flashy, his voice is smooth and expressive. Singing in the lower range, he floated a web of subtle words and

The first song the Stick Figures played as a band was "True Enough it Seems." This showed off five quality musicians, but somehow lacked the tightness it takes to really jam. They cleared this up by the second song.

"Haiku Man" is a new Stick Figures song, and I think they'll probably keep it. They really pulled together with this song, and they kept that tight quality the rest of the evening. That quality is what makes them the good band they are. Pat Goodwin sings the lead on "Haiku Man" allowing Mayberry to

n the past few years Maryville has niscent of Jimmy Page of Led Zeppe- go a touch mad on the bongos. When he is cooking on the bongos he is a joy to listen and to watch.

> One of songs I preferred in the set was "Arms, Legs, and Feet." This is light-hearted and crazily paced; the perfect kind of song for a bar setting.

> One of the key elements to the Stick Figures' unique sound is the shared and not-so-shared solos of both guitarists. Both White and Pat are excellent lead players and they play together almost as well as Garcia and Wier ... almost. Their styles are defined and distinctive so it is easy to pick out just who is playing what at any particular

> After a short break to repair a broken bass string, the Stick Figures came out with their big gun. They play, by far, the best cover of "Stayin' Alive" that I have ever heard.

> Seriously, they tear the roof off with this one, and any band that is presumptuous enough to work so hard on a Bee Gee's tune is all right with me. Mark Goodwin provides the necessary falsetto vocals, and the way Mayberry "feels" this one, he must have been born in a leisure suit.

> My favorite song, on a pure entertainment basis, was "Family People and Family Cars." The guys, whose stage chatter is enough to keep me

Stick Figures

coming back, say it is for "the '50s audience or those old at heart." It is a simple, melodic sing-along song that had everyone singing along by the second chorus. I loved the Beach Boysesque "Bow Bow Woom" that Mark provides on vocals.

Mayberry's powerful voice, combined with the obvious vocal talents of the rest of the band members, is what drives this music. The bongos and waawaa pedal should not go together, but somehow the Stick Figures make it work. Someone at the show described their music as a mix of blues, punk and folk. What was it again? "Folblunk" or "fluebonk"?

The Stick Figures will be playing on March 2 at Arthurs in Omaha, Neb., and they return to Molly's March 17.

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Carrey's manic acting too extreme in 'Ace Ventura'



Mike **Johnson** Movie Critic

Weak, yet simple plot overcomes problems to produce humor

ce Ventura, Pet Detective" is the ultimate shaggy dog movie. It is annoying at the beginning but, begging to be loved, ultimately becoming fairly enjoyable. Somewhere in between the dreadful "Loaded Weapon 1"and the sublime "Naked Gun," "Ace Ventura" has bright spots that almost overcome weak direction and an annoying lead.

The plot is simple and straight forward. When the Miami Dolphin's mascotis kidnapped, pet detective Ace Ventura is hired to find it. Along the way, he falls in love with the beautiful Courtney Cox (providing scenery without substance) who, for some strange reason, falls for him.

sabotage the Super Bowl. Someone should have kidnapped him before he agreed to do this film as he provides some of the biggest laughs for simply

staring blankly at the screen.

Love him or hate him, this is a movie that rises and falls on one's affection for the film's star, Jim Carrey. Attempting to be as manic as Robin Williams and as exaggerated as Steve Martin, Carrey tries hard. He is not simply a piece of ham. He is an entire truckload of pork. By the end, it is hard not to envision him with an apple stuffed in his mouth.

Carrey does get points for his willingness to try anything (he even does gratuitous nudity) for a laugh, even if it makes him look utterly ridiculous. He ends up as the Pee Wee Herman for the '90s - completely annoying but strangely watchable.

The film gives Sean Young a chance The plot thickens when Dan Marino to stretch her career to the limit of is kidnapped in a desperate attempt to camp. Is there anything this actress won't do? It is hard imagining her in such high-profile vehicles as "No Way Out" and "Blade Runner" after viewing recent performances in "A Kiss

Before Dying" and television's "Witness to the Execution." She has turned bland, bad acting into an art.

Here, she gives her most enjoyable performance in ages. Stuck in one of the most embarrassing roles of the year, she is pretty good. It will not get her a part in Woody Allen's next picture, but she is a good bet for "Wayne's

The script is okay. Many of the bits are too stupid or obscene to be funny, but it is slap happy enough to never take itself seriously or pretend to be award-winning material. Besides, any movie that focuses one of its main jokes on a terrific movie like "The Crying Game" can't be all bad.

There are also cute scenes involving the delivery of a package, the fearless hero finding a shark in a tank rather than the dolphin and the fending off of

a landlord. Madecheaply, the film lacks glossy production values. The kidnapped dolphin looks ready for the glue factory. The direction is about as pedestrian as it comes with the camera actually shaking in some scenes.

There is one wonderful scene where all of the detective's animals come out of hiding. The colorful birds and cute little forest creatures, for one brief moment, gives the film a Disney feel. However, the jokes are dirty enough that one will probably not confuse it with "Bambi" or "Dumbo."

It's a box office anomaly – a movie that somehow strikes a chord with the audience bringing them back again and again. There is a potential fran-

Next year, will audiences see Ace saving presidential pet Socks the cat from death? The tension mounts.

"Ace Ventura, Pet Detective" is not actly a steak dinner, but some of the movie is funny enough to save it from being as bad as old kitty litter.

Rating: ★★⅓

Thought for the Week

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THE STROLLER

Snow storm confuses theory about trusting the groundhog

hat a let down. Snow sucks. It really sucks. Especially now that there is so much of it around. I was so excited last week when I didn't have to do the usual nine and a half layers of clothing just to walk to campus. It was heaven. I even put on a pair of shorts one afternoon just to be rebellious to February.

It's true, Your Man was one of the poor saps who had the nerve to doubt a groundhog. I know there are millions of other socalled rodent doubters running around out there, and they are just not as brave as Yours Truly to admit it in print.

At first, I did believe the dumb rat. I had to. The whole country seems to think it is the socially and politically correct thing to do. Who would have thought that a whole, nation would listen to a groundhog to know what the day has in store? The way the weather was going long about Feb. 2, who wouldn't have? But, when that first beam of sunshine broke through the thick masses of snow clouds and that initial gust of semi-warm (OK - not bitterly cold) air gushed by, I was convinced of the stupidity of a nation who lets rodents forecast the weather.

Rodents! Of all life forms. Wouldn't birds be better for this task? I mean, hey, they are already right up there where the weather actually occurs. Since rodents are actually burrowed underneath the Earth, it seems remotely stupid to leave this important job to their mediocre skills. They probably have no concept of rain, even. Let alone the date that winter will end.

Before all of this snow business, I was convinced that for the first time in the history of the world, winter would end in the middle of February. I had a few really good reasons to believe this was true. I mean, hey I just don't make up these weather facts.

My first piece of evidence that winter was truly over and finally an early spring would bring happiness to Northwest was, of course, the Greenhouse Effect.

Seriously, scientists have been whining and warning, teasing and taunting everyone on the planet with the possibility of a warmer climate. Sure the levels of the oceans would rise and whole cities would be swallowed, but hey, that is the price you pay for a little sunshine, and

Yours Truly reflects on causes for the changes in the weather

Missouri isn't even by an ocean, so no worries, right? Yours Truly is one of the true believers of scientists who study the weather, meteorologists, if you must. I was just on the edge of my seat waiting for this Greenhouse thing to set in, but obviously it iust didn't happen.

The second big clue was the whole disaster outbreak in California. I know you are thinking, "This guy is insane, blaming what weather patterns on a large helpless state out west," but this brilliant deduction has merit.

I finally believe that before any major changes can occur in this nation, regardless if they concern weather or whatever, California must first break away from the continent and float into the Pacific. Hey, the way its luck has been, the chances of that happening were really quite good.

The third big clue I gathered was the whole Tonya Harding thing. I believe she is a spy for the International Weather Service. She just made all that Nancy Kerrigan media hype to divert the public's attention from the weather. Then, while all eyes were on ice skating, it would be the perfect time to start spring a little early. I guess all three of these bits of supporting evidence

proved wrong, and that stupid rodent (OK - groundhog,

he deserves some respect for being right) was correct. I still am not sure how sane of a nation we are for this, but it happened and that's that. Not only was he right, but hello, could it stop snowing for a few brief seconds on Tuesday? No! My car was buried in front of my house. It looked like a huge snow mountain, not the familiar clunker of days gone by. I am surprised that my gorgeous Maryville rental property is

I guess I'll put my heavy coat back on and go outside to look for chicks stranded in the snow. There may not be anything I can do for them, but I can always attempt to be a good Samaritan. Maybe there are advantages to

still standing due to the weight of all that snow on the

roof, With my luck, my house will cave in.

The Stroller has been a tradition of Northwest since

there was so much to know." – William Kittredge "Hole in the Sky"

white to cherry red, and loved knowing that

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Jim's Journal

I went to a movie last night with Dave and his friends.



Afterwards we went to Hardee's and Gene squashed ketchup packets with his fist.



